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## **QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES**

### **Numbers 33-42**

33. Regarding Section K.15 and L.3(b)(2) – The proposal preparation instructions require the Offeror to submit fully executed Reps & Certs. However, Section K.15 refers to submittal of the proposal via IIPS and makes no accommodation for a signature line. Please clarify that you want Reps and Certs submitted only with the hard/soft copy of the proposal to the location listed in L.6 and not via IIPS either separately or in addition.

**Answer:** Representation and Certifications shall be included in Volume I as required by Section L.3 of the RFP and submitted only to the location listed in Section L.6. The first sentence of Section K.15 will be amended as follows: "By completing and submitting a proposal/bid in accordance with Section L Instructions, the bidder/Offeror certifies, under penalty of law, that the representation and certifications are accurate, current, and complete."

34. Shall the Offeror add a signature line to Section K.15 to accommodate certification by an authorized officer or employee?

**Answer:** The Offeror shall add a signature line to Section K.15 to accommodate certification by an authorized officer or employee. The RFP will be amended to add a signature line to Section K.15 following the line provided for the typed name and title of the officer or employee responsible for the bid/offer.

35. Part K.15 states that we will be submitting Reps and Certs via Industry Interactive Procurement Systems (IIPS). Does this mean that an actual signature is not required? Currently there is no signature line on the Reps and Certs form.

**Answer:** Representation and Certifications shall be included in Volume I as required by Section L.3 of the RFP and submitted only to the location listed in Section L.6. The first sentence of Section K.15 will be amended as follows: "By completing and submitting a proposal/bid in accordance with Section L Instructions, the bidder/Offeror certifies, under penalty of law, that the representation and certifications are accurate, current, and complete." The Offeror shall add a signature line to Section K.15 to accommodate certification by an authorized officer or employee. The RFP will be amended to add a signature line to Section K.15 following the line provided for the typed name and title of the officer or employee responsible for the bid/offer.

36. Section L (d) (1) has a past performance requirement for "...three (3) contracts similar in size, scope and complexity ....for each member of joint ventures or LLC..." In the past, DOE has adjusted this requirement to allow for more small business

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participation. Would DOE consider removing the requirement for "contracts similar in size" and replace with "contracts similar in scope and complexity"?

**Answer:** The requirements in Section L.4.(d).(1) for past performance information will remain as written. If a member of a joint venture or LLC does not have past performance on contracts similar in all three criteria, but does have past performance on larger or smaller contracts similar in scope and complexity, then Past Performance Reference Information Forms should be provided on those contracts for consideration under the Past Performance evaluation factor.

37. Please provide the names of the following: Source Selection Official, SEB Chairman, SEB members, SEB advisors and Ex-Officio members of the SEB.

**Answer:** The Source Selection Official, Source Evaluation Board Chairman, members, advisors, and Ex-Officio members involved in this procurement will not be identified. It is not appropriate to contact anyone other than the Contracting Officer during the procurement process. Procurement integrity restrictions, including proper conduct of Offerors and Government Officials, are addressed in FAR 3.104.

38. Please post the Acquisition Plan for this procurement with the other documents provided for this solicitation already posted on the SEB website.

**Answer:** The Acquisition Plan for this procurement contains Source Selection Information and it will not be posted.

39. For disposal costs, are we to use the information from the current contract with Envirocare presented on the web page or should we acquire our own cost estimates?

**Answer:** The Envirocare disposal pricing presented on the web page may be used by the Offeror as long as the waste characterization meets the criteria contained within the contract with Envirocare.

40. During the site tour (and in the written script) a number of facility descriptions ended with the following sentence: "This facility may be removed prior to award of this contract. If not, DOE intends for this facility to be removed during the contract period." See item 53c as an example. How does DOE wish these costs to be covered in the proposal –i.e. (1) include costs in the in the estimated cost provided in Section B.2(b), (2) do not include any cost information in the bid and assume if work required, it will be in a modification to the Contract; or (3) separately identify costs associated with work in the proposal, but do not include it in the response to B.2(b)?

**REVISED Answer:** The original response to this question should have stated "Offerors shall <u>not</u> include the costs of such facilities within the cost shown in Section B.2(b)." As

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stated in the tour registration notice, the site tour was conducted for informational purposes only and that any statements and/or representations made during the site tour were not binding. Offerors were cautioned that the ONLY controlling documents/information is the Request for Proposal and any amendments thereto. See response to Question 67.

41. During the Site tour, the presence of officers from the Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Office was noted. Is there a cost associated with their presence on the site? If so, is the contractor expected to include those costs in its proposal? If so, what are the annual costs of this service?

**Answer:** The current annual cost for the Cattaraugus County Sheriff support to WVDP is \$140,000. This cost is included in the annual security budget and it is expected that Offerors will include the cost in proposals.

42. What is the current annual funding for the West Valley Fire District? Is the contractor expected to include these costs in its estimated costs?

**Answer:** The current annual funding for the Fire District is \$70,000. The exact amount may vary (and has varied) and is set each year during the budget cycle. It is expected that offerors will include this cost in proposals.